

The bill to prohibit sale of merchandise at less than cost, which had previously passed the lower house of the legislature, was reported destroyed by an amendment which the senate adopted today.

The measure proposed to forbid any merchandise sales at less than 6 per cent markup over "cost."

What "cost" is, or why one man's "cost" may be entirely different from another man's "cost," are matters that defy explanation by business men much less the legislators, who are mostly young fellows just trying to get along in the art of politics.

But the cold facts are:

No business can possibly exist without making an overall profit.

2. It sometimes is necessary in any business to sell certain items below cost in order to recover part of the business man's wholesale investment for the public's taste is whimsical, and when one item lays too long on the shelf you've got to get rid of it regardless.

3. Arkansas business men as a whole don't want the state government meddling in the treacherous field of price-fixing.

When the federal government's best efforts at price-fixing only result in constantly raising the cost of living there is no sense in trying the same policy under the less-skilled hands of state administrators.

Business policy at the moment is to resist a return to war-time price-fixing and rationing—and it is that policy regarding the Washington government that goes on to the Little Rock people, whose special field is the gathering of taxes, not the lecturing or business on how to make a profit.

Great Britain Applauds U.S. Stand

By R. H. SHACKFORD
London, Feb. 3 — (UP) — Great Britain today strongly applauded the American stand against a private meeting between President Truman and Premier Stalin, and the rest of Western Europe shed some of its fears of a separate United States-Russian deal.

A British foreign office spokesman said his government is in "full agreement" with U. S. Secretary of State Dean Acheson's rejection of Stalin's suggestion for a conference with Mr. Truman behind the iron curtain.

"They (the United States) asked for our views on the Stalin offer and it was the view of the British government that consolidation of Western Germany should not be held up pending the summoning of a meeting of the council of foreign ministers," the spokesman said.

Policy outlined here and in Washington made clear that the U. S. and Great Britain stand are working together in the cold war.

Western European diplomats fervently wish for an end to the cold war, but they fear they may be left in a difficult position if the two big powers make a private deal.

Many believe that only another big power conference can end the ideological conflict, but they are extremely suspicious of premier Stalin's "peace offensive."

American Secretary of State Dean Acheson's rejection of the Stalin proposal for a two-power meeting has relieved whatever fears existed and reassured those who doubted where the United States stood.

Before Acheson spoke, the consensus was that there would be no immediate meeting between Stalin and President Truman.

British officials were most outspoken in their denunciation of Stalin's proposal as "just propaganda."

British Prime Minister Clement Attlee is scheduled to tell a questioner in parliament during the question period today that he rejects all suggestions that Britain support the proposed Stalin-Truman meeting.

A survey of opinion in other European foreign offices and countries uncovered what appeared to be a submerged hope that something in the nature of the proposed meeting would take place.

Unemployment Payments May Be Raised

Little Rock, Feb. 3 — (AP) — Unemployment compensation will be increased if a bill passed by the Arkansas senate becomes law.

But the money will be more difficult for some persons to collect. The measure was approved 28-0, yesterday afternoon. It now goes to the house.

Under the bill minimum unemployment benefits would be increased from \$5 to \$7 per week and maximum payments from \$20 to \$22. Some persons who left jobs under certain circumstances would have to wait ten weeks instead of the present five to receive benefits. And job referral slips would be sent to prospective employers rather than being given to the job-seekers.

The employers tax which finances the payments would be reduced from 1.56 per cent of the state's total taxable payroll to 1.21 per cent. The senate was told there now is a reserve of \$40,000 in the unemployment compensation fund.

The senate still had pending today a proposed amendment to a bill to give revenue department agents power to search during business hours without a search warrant and expand their authority otherwise. The amendment would make the bill inoperative in Continued on Page Five

Cautious Civil Rights Peace Move Proposed

Washington, Feb. 3 — (UP) — A cautious move to make peace on the hot civil rights issue appeared to be taking shape today among southern house members.

Rep. Brooks Hays, D., Ark., proposed a possible compromise. He said that he and some other Southerners had been emotional in its zeal—and sometimes even wrong.

In the senate, meanwhile, southern Democrats were set to fight a move to force a floor vote on proposals to end filibusters, an issue closely allied with the civil rights bill.

Sen. William F. Knowland, R., Cal., promised to file a resolution to take the anti-filibuster proposals out of the hands of the rules committee. Knowland was angered when the committee voted yesterday to recess until next Wednesday without disposing of the filibuster matter.

Sen. Lister Hill, D., Ala., promptly charged that Knowland's move was an "insult" to the committee. Hill said "we'll not only fight it but we'll beat it."

Hays offered on the house floor a plan to compromise President Truman's demand for laws against poll taxes, lynching and job discrimination. He suggested that Mr. Truman may be ready, too, to back up a little. He said the president actually never said some of the things attributed to him about civil rights.

When Hays finished outlining his proposal to a sparsely-filled house, applause cracked on both sides of the aisle. Several Southerners jumped up to compliment him.

Other Dixie Democrats reserved comment. They said they wanted to study the plan further. One prominent Northerner called it "very constructive."

This was the program: Segregation; Let the supreme court ban on Jim Crow travel suffice.

Poll tax: Outlaw it by constitutional amendment. Mr. Truman wanted it banned by statute.

Lynching: Make it a federal offense. But give states first chance at trial and punishment of lynchers. The federal government would keep its hands off if states moved in to give the accused a trial outside the city or county where the lynching took place.

Fair employment practices: Forget coercive laws; set up instead a "counseling" service in the labor department.

U. S. Navy to Move Out of China Area

By ARTHUR GOUL
Tsingtao, Feb. 3 — (UP) — Vice Admiral Oscar C. Badger announced today that headquarters of the U. S. Western Pacific fleet will be moved to Shanghai within the next 10 days. Virtually all marines stationed here also will be transferred, he said.

Badger, commander of the Western Pacific fleet, said his headquarters were being established aboard his flagship, the transport communications vessel El Dorado. Headquarters will be wherever the flagship goes, he said. He added that his entire headquarters staff is being moved to Shanghai.

All marines now at Tsingtao except for a single patrol unit also will be evacuated to Shanghai, Guam, Okinawa and other American naval bases in the Pacific. The Pacific fleet's marines may relieve those at Shanghai on the transport Bayfield.

The move to abandon Tsingtao as western fleet headquarters was decided upon after Communist forces closed to within mortar range of the gulfed city of the city used by American naval and marine planes. The Communists have been dropping shells near the airfield.

Badger indicated that the main American naval force no longer was needed in North China because virtually all American marines who wished to leave the Communist-controlled areas now have done so.

"Now that the evacuation of American marines has been completed, the demands on the navy's services have diminished," Badger said in an interview.

"We are readjusting our forces to meet the needs of the situation. We will continue to maintain a force at Tsingtao that will be adequate for the job."

"Remaining members of the force will be taken to where better training facilities are available. We will retain only a patrol unit ashore at Tsingtao."

Shotgun Goes Off, Kills Auto Driver

North Little Rock, Feb. 3 — (AP) — A shotgun in an automobile discharged late yesterday, killing the driver, Drew Whitten, 46.

Dr. Howard D. Dishongh, coroner, said apparently the death was accidental. He and police surmised the weapon, which had no safety device, had been in falling or as Whitten drove it.

Whitten drove the automobile into a filling station, asked that an ambulance be called and then lapsed into unconsciousness. The shotgun was near him in the front seat of the automobile. He was alone. He died later at a Little Rock hospital.

A Hope Girl, Patsy Montana, Returns to Entertain Old Friends Here Friday, Feb. 4



PATSY MONTANA

Flood Waters Are Moving Downstream

Little Rock, Feb. 3 — (UP) — Flood crests on three Arkansas rivers continued to move downstream today, and apparently the 10-day old floods already had done their worst.

All along the upper reaches of these rivers—the Ouachita, the White, the St. Francis—the water level was falling. Levees not already breached were holding.

The U. S. Weather Bureau predicted occasional rains today and tomorrow, but there was nothing to indicate the fall would be large enough to send streams rampaging again.

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The White river was expected to crest at about 32 feet at DeWitt Bluff today and at from 35 to 36 feet at Clarendon Saturday.

The small town of Clarendon on the Ouachita still was under water after Monday night's levee break. The crest had passed as flood waters moved on southward toward Louisiana.

Conditions continued to improve on the St. Francis in northeast Arkansas, but a close watch was still maintained on downstream levees.

Temperatures in Arkansas yesterday were higher than they had been since Jan. 27.

Suspect Admits Murder at Texarkana

Texarkana, Feb. 3 — (AP) — A Texarkana man has admitted the slaying of a woman in a hotel here, authorities say, and has been charged with murder.

District Attorney Maxwell Welch said Clarence J. Hankins, 28, signed a statement at the New Boston, Tex., jail that he stabbed Bonnie Jean Shelton, 24, Texarkana, with a pocketknife and strangled her with his bare hands.

The killing followed a quarrel. Welch said Hankins told him: "I wanted her to make some money and split with me, and she wouldn't do it."

The woman's nude body was found in the hotel yesterday. Hankins was quoted as saying the killing occurred Tuesday afternoon.

The unmarried Hankins first denied any knowledge of the slaying. Welch said he confessed after 90 days' residence in the blood-stained clothing which had been found at his mother's home.

House Balks on Divorce Measure

By JIM THOMASSON
Little Rock, Feb. 3 — (AP) — An effort to liberalize Arkansas' 90-day divorce law was rejected today by the house.

A proposal by Rep. E. W. Price of White county to amend the law to permit the granting of divorces after 90 days' residence in the state was beaten, 26-46.

The law requires that applicants for divorces must show intent to become residents of Arkansas in addition to 90 days' residence or physical presence. Price sought to eliminate the requirement about intent to remain in Arkansas.

The bill was debated more than an hour with Rep. Nathan Norton of St. Francis leading the opposition. The Forest City attorney appealed for strengthening rather than loosening the state's divorce laws. He paced the well of the chamber as he spoke disdaining the loud-speaker microphone.

In heated debate, the house suspended business to hear from Federal Judge John E. Miller, Fort Smith. The former Arkansas congressman praised the representatives for their diligence and defended the American legislative system against what he called derogatory propaganda attacks.

During the past 14 years Patsy Montana has sung for millions of radio listeners on all the major networks and has made over 5,000 personal appearances in most of the states, but to the people of Hope, Arkansas, she's just the little town girl who changed her name and went to the top in the entertainment field.

She was born Ruby Blevins in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Blevins moved to Hope when she was five years of age. Here she grew up and finished high school.

Her first radio job was singing on station KNX, Hollywood, California. The officials there discovered that Patsy had a future in the radio field and suggested that she change her name. Thus "Patsy Montana" was born.

Soon an offer came for her to make a guest appearance on the National Barn Dance on NBC in Chicago, Illinois, and she remained there for most of ten years.

Old man cupid was waiting for Patsy in Chicago for it was there she met and married Paul Rose who was personal manager for the popular team of "Mac and Bob."

Then came an offer from New York to sing over the Mutual Broadcasting system. It was then that Patsy signed her first recording contract. She soon became America's favorite western singer. It was here that little Beverly came to make their home a happier one.

Patsy then returned to Chicago where she finished her contract with WLS. Little Judy was born and their home was complete.

During this time Patsy made several movie shorts, one picture for Republic with Gene Autry. She had become a very popular song writer having been voted by a national magazine as the composer of one of the most popular western songs, "I Wanna Be a Cowboy's Sweetheart." This recording sold over a million copies. Patsy returns to Hollywood in August where she is making two pictures at Columbia with Charles Starrett and Smiley Burnette. Her two girls will appear in one of the pictures.

Patsy and her husband purchased the Box R Ranch near Hot Springs about eight years ago and last September Patsy told WLS "Adios" and came home.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars has invited Patsy and her radio group to appear at the City Hall on Feb. 4th. Patsy will have with her the entire gang who appear with her over KTHS and KWKH, including Beverly and Judy. The gang will be making a radio broadcast from the Box R Ranch. The gang include her brother, whom every one will remember as Kenneth Blevins, Bob McNett, and Texas Lil.

Patsy has a terrific one hour and half show and you will die laughing at the antics of Ken and Lil.

In discussing the plans to appear here, Patsy made this statement: "I believe I am less known in Hope than I am anywhere in the United States, for believe it or not, I have received many letters, what we call fan letters, from old school friends who didn't know that Patsy Montana was their old school classmate 'Ruby Blevins.'"

So let's show Patsy that her home town remembers, and we are mighty proud of her by all coming out to see her Friday night.

Meet Canceled

An American Legion meeting originally scheduled for tonight at 7:30 p.m. has been indefinitely postponed, it was announced.

Nobody Begrudges a Practical Joker a Laugh—as Long as They Are Sure Its His Last

By HAL BOYLE
New York (AP) — There's a fellow missing from the contemporary scene.

But there's some doubt if very many people miss him much. The fellow I'm talking about is the big ha-ha man of yesterday—the practical joker.

However became of him? Daven what lost manhole has time drained him—the fellow who believed in "anything for a laugh," whatever became of his bag of stale tricks?

You remember him? He was the fellow who called you on the phone and said, "hold the line a minute." Exactly 60 seconds later he'd ask "well, did you catch anything?" Then he'd hang the receiver in your outraged ear.

Yes, he was some prankster—the practical joker. At the office he'd leave a faked summons from the boss in your typewriter. He'd have his girl friend write a mash letter to your home, signed "with all my love, Molly." He was the fellow who anonymously advised 30 different life insurance salesmen you wanted to buy a policy. And he saw that they all called on you at the same hour.

In the old days he carried a loaded cigar in his pocket. He also had some kitchen matches to give you the hotfoot. If a bun asked him for a coin to buy a cup of coffee, the practical joker always managed to have a Canadian dime ready to drop into his hand. When he threw a party, he slipped you a glass with a hole near the top—so the drink dripped all over your new suit.

What a card-wad! A character. There was nothing that was too much trouble for the old-fashioned practical joker. He worked harder to win a horse laugh than an ordinary man would to earn a pension. One joker even went to the trou-

Annulment



Mrs. Jesuita Torrey Robinson

Mrs. Jesuita Torrey Robinson, 23-year-old Philippine Guerrilla Capt., whose annulment was set aside after the ex-soldiers parents testified in the case, Robinson had testified that she was forced to marry the guerrilla while operating with them during the Philippine campaign.

Chiropractors to Be Allowed to Practice

Little Rock, Feb. 3 — (AP) — Twenty-seven chiropractors who the supreme court said couldn't get licenses may be allowed to practice in Arkansas after all.

After long debate the house of representatives, yesterday afternoon passed 67-13 and sent to the senate a bill to license the chiropractors.

The state supreme court had held their licensing by reciprocity was invalid because they had not passed the basic examination required by Arkansas law.

The house also passed the \$1,333,480 biennial general appropriation for constitutional offices and legislative expense, an action required by law before other appropriation measures can be considered.

The house received a bill to set salaries of county assessors throughout the state and to fix their allowances for deputies and extra help.

Salaries which would be increased for most assessors, and the number of deputies allowed would be based on population.

Rep. L. H. Chastain of Sebastian county, who offered the bill, said it was drawn by the county assessors' association, a state organization.

Other bills were introduced to:

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U. S. Serves Notice 'Peace Maneuver' Will Not Disrupt Opposition to Communism

Small Budget to Idle 72 Ships Navy Claims

Washington, Feb. 3 — (AP) — The United States served notice on the world today that it will allow no Russian "peace maneuver" to disrupt the growing opposition to the non-Communist western powers.

That was the real significance seen by diplomatic officials here in Secretary of State Acheson's rejection of Premier Stalin's latest declaration of his willingness to hold a meeting with President Truman.

American diplomats abroad in Western as well as eastern Europe were expected to make the most of this new and detailed statement of Washington's determination not to make any direct side deals with the Soviet Union at the possible expense of other nations.

The government's official "voice of America" radio broadcast was beaming Acheson's 2,500-word statement to the United States position all over the world.

President Truman had an opportunity to enter the picture today. He scheduled his usually weekly news conference (3p. m. CST) and it was expected that he would probably endorse fully all the Acheson had said.

The secretary of state turned thumbs down on Stalin's latest peace maneuver at a news conference yesterday.

He did it in such a way as indirectly to accuse Stalin of playing the international politics of the state last Sunday. That Stalin's statement expressed a willingness to meet Mr. Truman for the purpose of considering a Soviet-American "pact of peace."

And Acheson also accused the American charge that the present state of the world is due to Russia's "constructivism" in the United Nations and in other international forums where the great problems of the world are supposed to be solved.

Twice in his statement, which analyzed Stalin's Sunday declaration point by point, Acheson asserted the United States would not play politics with the world's peace problems. "No man of conscience would tamper with those honest who are raising or lowering of them as a pawn in any maneuver."

Furthermore he made it clear that the United States would be less for an American president to travel "half way around the world" for the fourth time to meet Stalin and make a pledge of peace when both Russia and the United States are engaged in a "cold war."

Acheson's statement was the first detailed official reaction here to the answers which Stalin released last Sunday to four questions asked him by the international press.

The secretary commented on all the questions in a manner which officials said was designed to make clear "where the responsibility for failure to get peace lies and where the United States stands."

Acheson said "no acting rebuffs" could be obtained through a Truman-Stalin conference.

"The first question directed to Stalin was whether Russia would be prepared to consider issuing a 'joint declaration' with the United States asserting that neither country has any intention of resorting to war against the other, and that they are against the other."

Stalin replied that "the Soviet government would be prepared to consider the issuance of such a declaration."

Acheson said he found this answer "sounding" and "very cautious" since both countries are "pledged by the most solemn treaty commitments not to engage in war against one another." He cited the United Nations charter in support of his statement.

Mr. Truman, he continued, had declared in his inaugural address that the United States gives "unflinching support to the United Nations." And so, Acheson declared, he thought "we had long passed the point at which this answer seems to stick."

Question number two dealt with whether Russia would carry out the suggested peace pact through such means as gradual disarmament and Stalin replied that "naturally" Russia would do so.

Acheson attacked Stalin's reply by declaring that the Russians had frustrated every effort in the United Nations to achieve disarmament, and that the Soviet Union had created a United Nations police force.

"Now," he said, "naturally, means in the nature of things" and the nature of things in the past three years since the end of hostilities has not been such as to encourage the expectation of cooperation which is indicated in this answer."

Acheson then skipped over the third question to take up the fourth in which Stalin had been asked whether he had been prepared to confer with President Truman, to which Stalin replied that there was "no objection to a meeting." Acheson recalled in this connection that President Truman had often stated when the matter came up on previous occasions that he would be pleased to have Stalin visit Washington.

"Now in this connection," Acheson told the news conference, "I am sure it is clear to you and it is not clear to you I should like to make it clear now that the government of the United States does not discuss with any nation any matter which was a direct result of the participation of the representatives of those other nations."

This was regarded by state department authorities as the basis of the whole American position.

The name "Nebraska" derives from "Ne-brath-ka," an Indian phrase meaning shallow water.

'Fair Trade' Bill Spiked in Senate

Little Rock, Feb. 3 — (AP) — A controversial bill to prohibit sale of goods at less than cost was spiked in the Arkansas senate today. It had passed the house last week.

Sen. J. Orville Cheney of Calico Rock won Senate approval of an amendment which would make the bill apply only to stores dealing exclusively in groceries.

Opposing the amendment, Sen. Lawrence Blackwell of Pine Bluff said this would serve to kill the bill "since we all know that there are no stores in Arkansas which deal exclusively in groceries."

Cheney said he offered the amendment because the only persons who had asked him to support the bill were grocers.

"If this is the bill they want let them have it," he declared. "But let's make it apply to them only."

Senator Cheney was successful in attaching to his amendment a motion preventing its reconsideration.

The bill, which was the subject of lengthy hearing by a senate judiciary committee last night, would prohibit the sale of any item at less than six per cent markup. The committee deferred action on the bill after hearing many witnesses and planned to meet again later today to make a report.

Faster Action on Welfare Claims Voted

By DEANE ALLEN
Little Rock, Feb. 3 — (AP) — Faster action on welfare claims won quick approval in the Arkansas senate today.

The senate passed, 22-0, a bill by Sen. W. H. Abington of Beebe requiring that applications for welfare assistance be investigated within 60 days by the state welfare department.

Other provisions include immediate payment of welfare grants if the investigation shows the claimant entitled to them and dismissal of any county welfare director who refused to comply.

Abington said he knew of instances where applications for assistance have been pending as long as ten years" with no action being taken.

"The only purpose of my bill," he declared, "is to let these people know where they stand. If they are eligible for relief, they ought to get it. If not, they ought to be told so."

But the senate, after passing this bill, deferred action on two other bills by Abington also affecting the welfare department. One would require that the state welfare commissioner be a resident of the state. The other would permit welfare clients to retain, without penalty, any revenue received for parttime personal services.

Sen. Ernest Nicholson of Harrison introduced a joint resolution proposing a constitutional amendment permitting 18 year old residents to vote. The proposal is similar to one introduced in the house of representatives earlier this week.

Nicholson's proposal would specifically prohibit persons directly or indirectly affiliated with the Communist party from voting in Arkansas.

Tulsa Landlords to Take Special to Washington

Tulsa, Okla., Feb. 3 — (AP) — Mid-west landlords will travel to Washington next week in a special train to protest continuation of federal rent controls, it was announced today.

The Rev. Wallace J. Murphy, executive secretary of the Tulsa property owners association which recently launched a mass evictions program to remove property from the rental market, said there would be one or two cars made up here.

In addition, he said, there probably will be a like number from Kansas City and St. Louis.

"We would like to descend on Washington with a full train of landlords," Murphy said.

Cardinal Plead 'Partly Guilty' to Red Charges

Budapest, Feb. 3 — (AP) — Cardinal Mindszenty told a Hungarian people's court today he pleaded partly guilty, having admitted the majority of those charges I am charged with."

The cardinal's former secretary, the Rev. Ondras Zakar, also pleaded "partly guilty," but said he only followed orders of his superiors. Mindszenty and six other clergymen being tried on charges of treason, spying and black market dealing. Mindszenty is the first Roman Catholic cardinal ever to be charged by a civil court.

As the trial opened, Mindszenty acknowledged that he wrote a letter offering to work for peace between the Communist-dominated government and the Roman Catholic church, if his trial was off.

The presiding judge of the Hungarian people's court, Vilmos Olgyai, put the guilty to prime, and Cardinal Mindszenty asked for a full trial.

"I am not my intention to make matters. I must state that I do not accept all the conclusions contained in the indictment as a consequence of my activities."

He cannot, for instance, accept the charges which alleged that he organized or led movements to destroy the democratic system of the state.

The letter said Cardinal Mindszenty admitted "grave errors" in his attitude against the communist government. He also admitted understanding the Hungarian bishops' free hand to negotiate with the government, and asked that the trial be adjourned. It added that he "would answer himself for a considerable amount of time. If the trial is adjourned and that he could render good service to the Hungarian people."

The communication read by presiding Judge Vilmos Olgyai to Justice Minister Istvan Bialas, was a dramatic pause almost a very start of the trial.

Judge Olgyai, a professional jurist, and his four fellow judges asked the cardinal to consider the expected request for adjournment back a few minutes later. The request for an adjournment had been refused and that the trial would go on.

The people's court President Gyula Bercs, opposed an adjournment.

The 56-year-old cardinal, wearing his black robe of a simple priest, appeared with six co-defendants in the central court room where Communist premier Imre Nagy, his Rakosi himself, was charged of plotting against the government of 24 years ago.

Walking quietly, he took place in the dock foregoing usual trial of priest, he answered "archbishop" to the judge's "cardinal and primate," when asked his personal title.

The government read the indictment, accusing the cardinal of "leading an organization which aimed to overthrow the democratic order of the state with treachery, with speculation in foreign currency."

It accused him of Royalist activity on behalf of the pretender Archduke Otto of Hapsburg, and of maintaining "subversive connections with Tibor Elekhardt, Hungarian political adventurer in the United States."

The government announced in December last that Cardinal Mindszenty had confessed his guilt to all these charges.

Joe Black Is Transferred to Arcadia, La.

Joe Black, manager of Morgan Lindsey State, who since 1934 has been transferred to Arcadia, La., it was learned today. Black and family will leave the state where he was in charge of the store will come to Hope.

Small Fire

Fire last night about 9 p.m. slightly damaged a Negro home on Oak Street in Arcadia. The blaze was extinguished by the local fire department.

Denies Inferior Schools for Negro Students

Little Rock, Feb. 2 — (AP) — The board of directors of Dewitt special school, District No. 1, denied yesterday that it has a policy of operating inferior schools for Negroes.

Frank Pitts and some 10 other Negroes recently filed suit in federal district court here, asking for relief from alleged discrimination. The board of directors filed an answer to the complaint yesterday, in which it denied that the plaintiffs are taxpayers and property owners in the district, as set out in the complaint.

The answer admitted that no high school was maintained in the district for Negroes but added that the district transports students to

SINUS CATARRH SUFFERERS

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Britain's Socialist Rule Weathers Storm But Takes Considerable Punishment

By DEWITT MACKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Britain's Socialist government has weathered the battle-royal in parliament over its Palestine policy as handled by Foreign Secretary Ernest Bevin, but has taken a trouncing in the winning.

I'm reminded of my old acquaintance Battling Nelson, famous lightweight champion of a past generation. Nelson won most of his innumerable ring battles but few fighters absorbed as much punishment as he did in achieving fistic immortality.

Maybe that's not a very good comparison. When Bat Nelson had won there wasn't any question about it, despite his battered face. But in the case of Prime Minister Attlee and his cabinet the circumstances are such that one wonders whether their victory isn't pyrrhic.

The so-called "Bevin policy" was approved by a vote of 283 to 102 in the House of Commons after bitter debate. The margin of 90 votes was the smallest the government had received on a major issue since it came to power in '45. The Immanuel school seven mile away.

Moreover, it involved the defection of a big bloc of the Labor (Socialist) party.

The vote was taken after Attlee had made the question one of "confidence in the government." This meant that if the government was defeated it would resign. It was a critical moment and the result caused jubilation in the opposition ranks.

And what is the significance of this? Well, one thing is clear: Bevin's Middle East policy is so unpopular at home that many of his own party can't swallow it. Unwittingly or otherwise, he has given many folks the impression that he is pro-Arab and anti-Jew. Churchill accused him of "astounding mishandling" of the whole Middle Eastern problem.

Mr. Bevin isn't a diplomat of the old school. He belongs to the shirt-sleeve brand of diplomacy. Events indicate that this wasn't the type of diplomacy to employ in handling a situation which was terribly complicated by the war between the Arabs and the Jews. The foreign secretary seems to have taken the adamant stand that England must maintain friendly

relations with the Arabian peoples. This was because there are involved highly strategic areas and vast supplies of petroleum — important not only to Britain but to the United States.

So Mr. Bevin has stuck to what is a pro-Arab policy. At the same time some observers have gained the impression that he felt American Jews were interfering and throwing a monkey wrench into his efforts.

There is small doubt that the British government might be overthrown unless the Palestine policy is changed. That being so, one assumes there will be a shift.

However, even if there is a change it won't end the matter. The government must face a general election in 1950, having five years in power — Britain's first outright Socialist regime. The handling of foreign affairs will be an issue in that election, along with the burning question of nationalization of industries.

To sum up the government is in no immediate danger if it takes warning from the narrow escape in the commons vote. But its fate

Heavy Vote Can Save Money Says Gov. McMath

Little Rock, Feb. 2 — (AP) — A heavy vote in favor of the proposed \$28,000,000 highway bond issue might save the state enough money to pay for the special election on the proposal, Governor McMath said today.

The governor told reporters at a news conference that a large favorable vote Feb. 15 would reduce interest rate on the bonds materially, possibly as much as two-tenths of one per cent.

Asked how the size of the vote would affect interest rates, the governor said a heavy vote would increase confidence of investors.

"The maximum interest rate on the bonds is 3.2 per cent but they probably can be sold now for 2.6 or 2.7 per cent if we turn out a

heavy vote." He said his figures referred to "yield" rather than the specific rate of interest on each bond. Yield is the amount an investor gains and is computed on the basis of interest rate and the price he must pay for a bond.

Paris Fashions Designed to Get U. S. Dollar

Paris, Feb. 1 — (UP) — Paris spring fashion showings opened today with the presentation of a new "budget" collection aimed at the American tourist.

Prices for the suits and dresses by Bernard Sagardoy, formerly a designer for Marcel Rochas, ran about a third lower than those of the larger style-setting houses, whose prices have been raised for the new season.

Sagardoy's suits emphasized a slightly sloping shoulder line, kimono sleeves, tight-fitting jackets and straight skirts about 12

French Hospital Workers Strike for Wage Hike

Paris, Feb. 2 — (AP) — Approximately 10,000 hospital workers started a 48-hour strike for wage boosts in the Paris region today, but no urgent medical services were interrupted. The strike affected the floor.

Striped fabrics were cut into zig-zag effects over the hips. A suit called "hamlet," priced at 60,000 francs, or about \$185, featured a horizontally striped fabric in two shades of navy blue with a thin white band.

A wool lace dress with a shirtwaist top and accordion pleated skirt over a taffeta petticoat was priced at 55,000 francs or about \$170.

The hectic spring fashion season will open officially tomorrow with fashion buyers and experts from all over the world cramming the Paris showrooms.

fect only hospitals aided by public funds.

"Registered" personnel such as doctors, nurses and dispensers of medicines were not involved. In most hospitals strikers stayed near their posts and answered urgent calls from the medical personnel.

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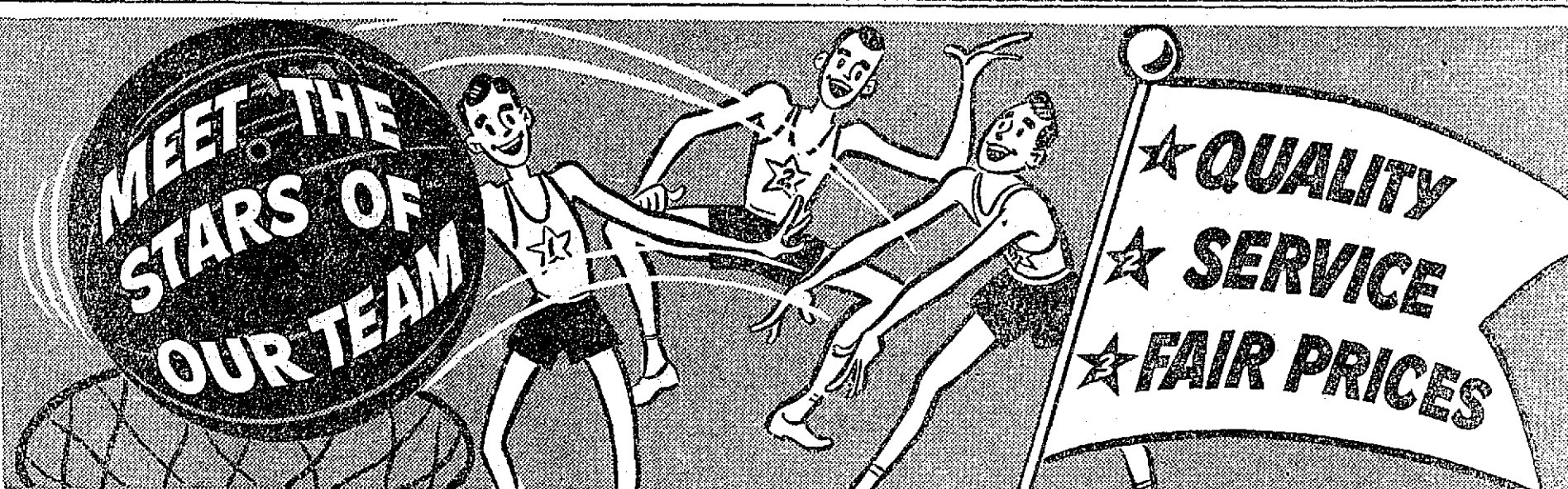
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APPLE BUTTER 28 oz. 35c PHILLIPS CORN can 19c BUTTER BEANS can 15c MUSTARD GREENS 3 cans for 25c

BROOKS HOMINY 12c MIXED VEGETABLES 10c GRAPEFRUIT JUICE 46 oz. 20c TOMATOES 2 cans 29c

TOMATO JUICE No. 2 can 10c RANCH STYLE BEANS 2 cans 15c ORANGE JUICE No. 2 can 13c APRICOTS can 15c

CHILI HOT SPAGHETTI 16c AJAX CLEANSER 2 for 25c BATH SIZE LUX 2 for 27c

MACKEREL can 25c SARDINES can 22c TUNA BONITA can 39c

OLEO LUNCHEON SPREAD lb. 32c BONELESS Round Steak lb. 74c

CUDAHY'S Sliced Bacon lb. 52c BEST GRADE Salt Meat lb. 33c

SUGAR CURED Bacon Squares lb. 39c Pork Liver lb. 34c PORK MEATY Neck Bones lb. 14c

DARCO 18% OAT BASE DAIRY FEED 3.65 DARCO ALL MASH EGG PELLETS 4.30

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JEFFY Cream of Tomato Soup (Recipe below) 10 1/2-oz. can condensed tomato soup 1/2 cup Fat Milk 1/2 cup Water

Mix soup, milk and water. Stir and heat slowly, but do not boil. Add salt and pepper. Serve hot with crackers. Makes 4 servings.

You Will Need: Pet Milk 2 cans 27c Condensed Tomato Soup can 12c Crackers lb. 27c

MEAL OF THE WEEK By MARY LEE TAYLOR

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Thursday, February 3rd
Chapter No. 328, Order of the Eastern Star will celebrate their 40th Birthday Anniversary at the regular meeting, Thursday night, February 3rd at 7:30 o'clock.

Friday, February 4th
The Rose Garden Club will meet at the Exposition Station Friday, February 4th at three o'clock in the home of Mrs. Cecil Bittle. Co-hostesses will be Mrs. F. Y. Trimble and Mrs. W. C. Andries.

Saturday, February 5th
Invitations have been issued by Mrs. Ched Hall and Mrs. C. C. McNeill, for a coffee to be given Saturday afternoon from 2:30 to 5:30 in the home of Mrs. Hall on North Louisiana Street.

Monday, February 7th
The Y.W.A. of the First Baptist Church will meet Monday night at 6 o'clock in the Educational Building for the regular monthly meeting. All members are urged to be present and to bring a new member. Please bring your \$1.00 for the Y.W.A. magazine.

Miss Ruth McLain
Saner Davis Entertained
Mr. and Mrs. George Frazier entertained with dinner, at their home, 622 North Hurvey Street, Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock, for the pleasure of Miss Ruth McLain and Saner B. Davis, whose wedding will be an event of Sunday, February 6 in Gurdon.

The dining table was covered with a white damask cloth and centered with a miniature bride and groom surrounded with greenery and white candles in silver holders.

One honoree was presented a lovely gift.
A three course dinner was served to the following: Miss Ruth McLain, Saner B. Davis, Mrs. Charles Dudley, aunt of the bride-elect, and Mr. and Mrs. Frazier.

Girl Scout Community Committee Meets
The Girl Scout Community Committee met Wednesday afternoon, February 2nd at 2 p.m. with the committee chairman Miss Mabel Etheridge presiding. The meeting was opened with the group repeating the Scout Promise in unison.

Mrs. Harry Shiver reported the Little House had some new furniture and light fixtures. It was announced that Mrs. V. A. Williams had agreed to be the assistant leader to Miss Betty Robins of Troop No. 8.

Reports from the following Girl Scout leaders were heard: Miss Nancy Deal, Mrs. E. L. Archer, Jr., Mrs. Hinton Davis. The group expressed their appreciation to Miss Nancy Deal for her outstanding work with her Scout troop during her residence in this city.

Mrs. E. L. Rettig, chairman of the Little House, discussed her plans for improvement. Plans were also made to observe Girl Scout Birthday week from March 6th through March 12th.

Aubert-Eason
Vows Read in New York
The Park Avenue Christian Church, Manhattan, was the setting Sunday afternoon, January 23rd for the lovely wedding of Miss Elizabeth Aubert, a student at Wagner

College, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Aubert of Marcello, Venezuela, to Joseph K. Eason, son of Mrs. Bertha B. Eason of Hope, Arkansas, also a student at Wagner College.

Given in marriage by O. S. Belmont at Manhattan, the bride wore a white satin gown styled with a cathedral train. She wore a three-tiered finger tip veil of illusion and carried a bouquet of Stephanotis.

Miss Blaise Hellosa, Manhattan, was the best attendant and was gowned in green tulle with matching green tulle headpiece. Her flowers were contrasting carnations and sweetpeas.

Harry Kummer of Taunton, Mass. Mr. Eason's college roommate, served as best man.

A reception was held in the Adams Hotel in Manhattan immediately following the exchanging of vows.

Wagner Mrs. Eason, member of the French club, is also secretary of the Spanish club. Mr. Eason, a veteran of five years service with the armed forces, was right end on the Wagner Football Team last fall.

They will make their home at Staten Island, New York (Taken from Staten Island Advertiser).

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Clubs

The Melrose Home Demonstration Club was organized January 13, at the home of Mrs. Jewell Still with Mrs. Lorraine Backwood presiding.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Harold Harrisfield; vice-president, Mrs. Jewell Still; Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. H. E. Patterson; Reporter, Mrs. Gilbert Brown; Recreational Director, Mrs. J. F. Merchant. Leaders were selected for the year as follows: Child development, Mrs. H. E. Patterson; Home Industry, Mrs. Jewell Still; Landscaping and Home Grounds, Mrs. Harold Harrisfield; Food preservation, Mrs. L. L. Merchant; Foods and Nutrition, Mrs. Gilbert Brown.

It was determined the club will meet the third Tuesday of each month. Also to have monthly birthday remembrances.

Refreshments were served to five members and Mrs. Blackwood. Stenciling will be the February demonstration, which will be held at the home of Mrs. Harold Harrisfield.

The Green Laster Home Demonstration Club met in the home of Mrs. Fred Hunt and was called to order by the president. The song of the month was sung. Devotional prayer was given by Mrs. Sam England.

Prayer by the hostess. The roll call was answered with "What I plan to do about my yard this year."

Places were selected for our meeting for the following month. Interesting talks were given by Mrs. Dragoon and Mrs. Miller on "How to prepare Brooder Houses. Raising chicks and Better Lunches."

Our next meeting will be at Mrs. Clifton Booth. We will appoint our leaders at this meeting.

After the business session the hostess and co-hostess, Mrs. Sam England and Mrs. Tilmann Bearden, served refreshments to thirteen members, two children and one new member.

Columbus 4-H Club had its regular meeting January 20th with Bonnie Jo Sipes, president, presiding.

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Then Mr. Trim who introduces himself as a representative of the quiz show sponsor, appears. After wishing the Conovers a pleasant stay he departs. As he goes he sees the cottage wall beside the door. "Say," he remarks, "that looks like blood." "Sure does," says John Henry, closing the door.

They went to the Ship of the Desert for Dinner. Just a block east from the Las Dunas, it catered to the hotel's wealthy clientele, a set that could pay four dollars for steak without expecting stock in the restaurant.

With sincere heartiness, the Conovers ate at a candle-lit table near the bandstand where a small water fall rippled over neon-illuminated rocks. To the left of the waterfall, a contorted ironwork stairs led to a small balcony that ran across the north wall and commanded a view of the entire establishment.

Atmosphere was rampant—even the waiters wore vivid Arab burnouses and the management had underwritten the lushness with excellent cuisine.

Sin pushed back her plate with a contented noise. "Now if I can just have some coffee—" John Henry premonitored after their waiter when he craned a neck still farther. "Odd," he said softly.

"I thought for a minute I saw him. Our friend with the gun." Sin's mouth blanched for a moment, but John Henry looked defensive.

"That was the first time anybody ever drew a gun on me," he said, almost complacently.

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"Un-huh. But it was me he was talking about."

"I don't know why you don't go ahead and report it to the police then."

"Sin—I don't think you have any lust for adventure. A mysterious stranger with a gun, a bloody handprint on our own front porch."

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THE SCOUTING TRAIL

This district is striving to have every troop in summer camp at Camp Pioneer for at least a week sometime during June and July.

In August the water sports meet will draw the scouts together again for a lot of tough, friendly competition.

Camping and activities for the district this year are under the direction of Bill Wray.

Cub Scout packs will meet in May for the annual "olympics."

The Hempstead District Scout Committee is made up of laymen from all over the county who work to insure a well balanced year round scouting program for all scout units.

In the January meeting of the Hempstead District Scout Committee, a number of district wide activities were planned for 1949.

The highlight of the program for February will be the observance of anniversary week.

In March boy scout troops and cub packs from all over Hempstead district will participate in the annual kite flying contest.

In April a district camporee will be held.

The annual council spring camporee is to be held in May. Troops from Hempstead district placed high in the events there in May of 1948.

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Here and There in Arkansas

Hot Springs, Feb. 3.—(AP)—A 70-year-old arthritis victim was baptized into the Church of Christ in a Hot Springs bath house yesterday.

J. T. Wall of Waverly, Tenn., told Pastor Clyde C. Corner he wished to be baptized.

However, Wall, who has been visiting the Spa city for several years, feared immersion in regular water wouldn't do his arthritis any good.

So special permission was obtained from the park superintendent and the ceremony was performed this morning.

Little Rock, Feb. 3.—(AP)—A member of the Arkansas house of representatives, who told his colleagues he had been "bought" on a used car purchase, tried yesterday to get a law passed about the matter.

Rep. H. H. Pickering of Ashley county offered a bill to make it unlawful to turn back the speedometer of an automobile in connection with its sale.

He explained that he bought a used car and discovered later that the speedometer readings had been changed.

"I bought 25,000 miles of transportation," I didn't get," complained the legislator.

However, the house didn't see Pickering's way and defeated the proposal.

Little Rock, Feb. 3.—(AP)—The Arkansas house yesterday asked congress to commemorate the death of Brig. Gen. Cashmir Pulaski.

The house approved a resolution by Rep. W. L. Ward of Lee county urging congress to pass a pending resolution providing for the president to proclaim Oct. 11 of each year as "General Pulaski's Memorial day."

It used to be said that the normal life span of human beings was 70 years and that anything beyond this was considered living on borrowed time. Fifty or a hundred years ago, a child born into the world could expect to live an average to live no more than 40 years.

Today a boy infant may expect to live 61 or 62 on the average and a girl two or three years longer. This happy situation is the result of the conquest of most of the infectious diseases such as diphtheria and typhoid which formerly carried off so many children and adults in the flower of their prime.

The results of this improvement affect us all. This is not only because of our chances of living longer, but also because there are more older people alive now than there used to be. In 1800, for example, only about one person in 25 was 65 years or older. By 1940, a person in 18 had reached 65 or beyond. It has been estimated that 11 or 12 years from now, nearly one person in 10 will be 65 or older and by the end of the century approximately one person in eight will be in this age group.

Numbers are striking: In the United States in 1900, about 3,000,000 people were over 65, in 1940 about 9,000,000, in 1960 there will be 14,000,000, and by 2000 A.D. over 24,000,000.

Also those who succeed in being able to stop work at about 65 will be in one way or another dependent on the productive efforts of those who are younger. Indeed, the complications of this trend toward old age are immense. It affects schools, clothing, housing; it is changing the emphasis of the attack on disease to those conditions which afflict older people particularly.

The answer to all the questions which are caused by the increasing age of our population are not yet clear. One wonders, however, whether it is still desirable to use the phrase "living on borrowed time."

Question: What can be done for too much "acid" in the system? Answer: For some reason, people frequently talk of having an acid system. Actually this is rather meaningless except in a condition which doctors speak of as acidosis. True acidosis is rare and arises only in such conditions as poorly controlled diabetes.

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DOROTHY DIX Charity Begins at Home

Dear Dorothy Dix: I am married to a fine man and love him dearly. He makes a very small salary, but we could get along very nicely except that he is an easy mark for every graffer in our town. Everybody borrows money from him and they never repay it. Hence, we are always broke.

I would like so much to have a little home of our own, but we can never manage to save a cent toward buying one. I have begged my husband to tighten his grip on his pocketbook, but it is useless. What can I do about it?

Answer: I don't know, unless you can make your husband see how unfair he is to you, and that his first duty is to you. But I think that it is doubtful that he will listen to reason, because that kind of man not only lacks backbone enough to say no, but also usually is a free hand and generous. He gets a kick out of the fact that he is a sort of big man, a moneyed man to whom those without money come to borrow.

A lot of philanthropy is just self glorification. I know plenty of men like your husband, who let their families go without the things they need so that they can maintain their reputation as liberal men by always being ready to lend a few dollars to anyone who asks them.

Primary Duty
Charity begins at home and no man has a right to give to his relatives or lend money to his friends until he has comfortably provided for the wife and children for whom he is responsible.

Dear Dorothy Dix: I am a widower with two daughters who are 15 and 16 years old. They go to high school and are good students. Now this is my problem. I have fallen deeply in love with a girl and would like to marry her, but cannot do so on the salary I make unless I take the girls out of school and out them to work. I suppose I had best send them to their grandmother, but I do not like to ask her to take them as she is very poor.

What is your advice?
Answer: I think it is your duty to put off marrying until your girls finish high school and have been taught some way to make a living. If you take them out of school now, you blight their chances in life, as they will have to take some very menial and ill paid job. You owe it to them to give them at least a high school education.

In order to do this, you will have to defer your marriage for two or three years, but that is the price you will have to pay for your fatherhood. When a man brings children into the world, he is duty bound to think of their good.

Answer: A BUSINESS WOMAN business woman who contemplated their latchkeys and individual pocketbooks and wonder if any man is worth giving them up for, and if it isn't wise to heed the old proverb and let well enough alone.

However, don't forget this: While marriage is the greatest of gambles, it has the biggest of all prizes and it is worth your taking a pretty big risk: For no other happiness in the world is so complicated as that of the woman who gets a good husband and who has children and a real home. And I can think of no better test of the state of your affections than that when you are with the man you are perfectly contented.

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Priest Dies in Blaze at Sanitarium

Mt. Clemens, Mich., Feb. 3.—A Catholic priest died in a fire in his quarters at exclusive St. Joseph sanitarium early today while he was tending to the needs of several nurses tried vainly to save him.

The fire, breaking out at 1:30 a. m., sent twenty five other guests and the "sanitarium" staff of 40 fleeing into freezing temperatures outside.

All the fire equipment of the building city fought the blaze, limiting the damage to an estimated \$15,000.

The Rev. Father Thomas Barry, 32, of Cleveland, Ohio, a graduate of the University of Notre Dame, was in his quarters when the fire broke out.

There were no reports of injuries. All available police and firemen had gone to the scene in fear of a possible catastrophe, but the fire was under control within less than an hour's time.

Fire Chief Clayton E. Dubay said the blaze was apparently due to Father Barry's "careless smoking." The priest's bed in his first floor room was destroyed.

Two nurses, Mrs. Margaret Curlett and Mrs. Priscilla Mayhew, told of forcing their way into Father Barry's smoke-filled quarters. One nurse had her head with a blanket and the other with a robe.

But when they tried to open the bathroom door, they said, Father Barry, apparently panic-stricken, pulled in the opposite direction, and the smoke thickened, and the heat grew too intense for them to stand it. The nurses' groped their way out. Firemen later found Father Barry's body.

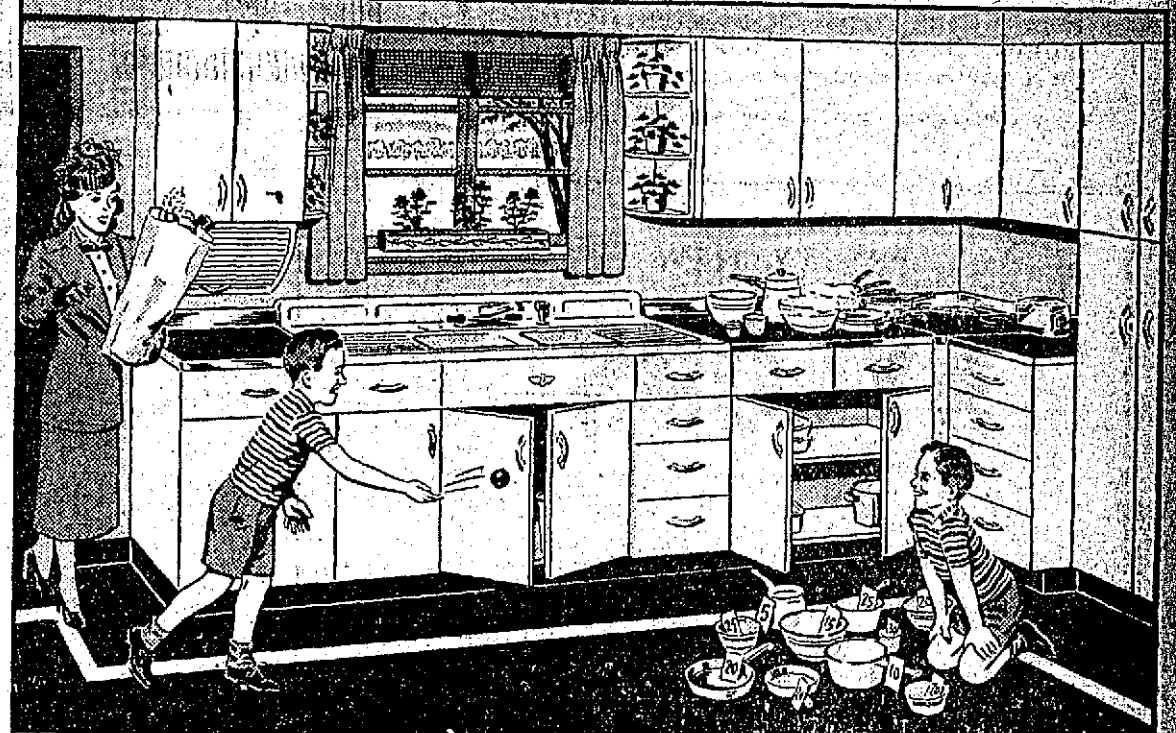
The Duke of Wellington, with purchased commission, became lieutenant-colonel in the English Army at the age of 22.

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Tired Kidneys Often Bring Sleepless Nights

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Thursday p. m., Feb. 4
 5:00 Adventure Parade—M
 5:15 Superman—M
 5:30 Captain Midnight—M
 5:45 Tom Mix—M
 5:55 Salon Serenade—M
 6:15 News, Five-Star Edition
 6:25 Today in Sports
 6:30 News, Comment—M
 6:45 Fulton Lewis, Jr.—M
 7:00 To Be Announced
 7:30 Western Hit Review—M
 7:55 Hy Gardner—M
 8:00 Gabriel Heatter—M
 8:15 Mutual Newsreel—M
 8:30 Mysterious Traveler—M
 8:45 Bill Henry, News—M
 9:00 The Ed Wilson Show—M
 9:30 Bill McCune's Orch.—M
 10:00 All the News—M
 10:15 Warner Ruhl's Orch.—M
 10:30 Gene Williams' Orch.—M
 10:55 Mutual Reports the News
 11:00 Sign Off

Friday a. m., Feb. 4
 6:00 News, First Edition
 6:05 Hillbilly Hootdown
 6:25 Bargain Roundup
 6:30 Riders of the Purple Sage
 6:35 Market Reports
 6:40 Farm Breakfast
 7:15 Melody Boys
 7:30 Devotional Hour
 7:45 Musical Clock
 7:55 News, Coffee Cup Edition
 8:00 Sunrise Serenade
 8:15 News, Arkansas Roundup
 8:30 Cecil Brown, News—M
 8:45 Faith in Our Time—M
 9:00 Nashville Program
 9:15 Airline Melodies
 9:30 Evening Parade—M
 9:45 Victor H. Lindvall—M
 9:55 Gabriel Heatter Mailbag—M
 10:00 Lanny Ross—M
 10:15 Kate Smith Speaks—M
 10:30 Kate Smith Sings—M
 10:45 Student Parade
 10:55 Music By Annroe
 11:00 Sign Off

Friday p. m., Feb. 4
 5:00 News, Home Edition
 5:10 Market Time
 5:15 John Daniel Quartet
 5:30 Musical Interlude
 5:40 Shortest 5 Minutes in Radio
 5:45 Eddy Arnold Show—M
 6:00 Queen for a Day—M
 6:30 Golden Hope Chest—M
 6:40 Movie Matinee—M
 6:50 Naval Academy Band—M
 7:00 Poetry Scrap Book of Air
 7:15 The Johnson Family—M
 7:30 Sign Off

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Prescott News

Monday, February 7

The O.E.S. will hold its regular meeting on Monday night at 7:30 o'clock at the Masonic Hall. There will be initiation with pot luck supper.

The W.M.S. of the First Baptist Church will meet at the church Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The Circle of the Women of the Presbyterian Church will meet on Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Allen Gee Sr., with Mrs. W. R. White assistant hostess.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church has been postponed to the third Monday, February 21.

Miss Sue Jones honored Miss Jackie Sue Hale with a luncheon bridge at her suburban home on Saturday afternoon.

The rooms were made lovely with arrangements of white carnations and japonica.

The guests were served at small tables covered with white linen cloths and centered with crystal bowls filled with japonica.

For the bridge games Miss Doty Yancey was awarded the high score prize. Mrs. Thomas De Woody was the low score prize and Miss Hale was presented a lovely gift of crystal.

The guest list included the honoree, Miss Bernice Daniel, Mrs. Richard Bright, Mrs. Thomas De Woody, Miss Nancy Cummings, Mrs. Dave Hale of Randolph Field, Texas, Miss Doty Yancey, Mrs. Donald Cavanah, Miss Kathleen Wooley, Miss Mary Betty Bannette of Pine Bluff, Mrs. Hoyett Martin of Tucson, Arizona and the honoree's mother, Mrs. Horace Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hubbard entertained with a family dinner on Saturday afternoon, complimenting Miss Jackie Sue Hale and Robert Archel Archer whose wedding was solemnized on Sunday, January 30th at the Presbyterian Church.

The dinner was served buffet style from a table covered with a white cloth and centered with an attractive arrangement of fruit in a crystal bowl.

Guests were Miss Hale, Mr. Archer, T. Sgt. Dave Hale, Mrs. Hale and their daughter Janet Sue of Randolph Field, Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Purcell of Little Rock, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas DeWoody and Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyett Martin and Mrs. S. P. Martin attended the funeral services for Lester Martin and have been the guests of Mrs. L. M. Martin returned to their home in Tucson, Arizona on Monday.

Miss Sue Jones who attends State Teachers College, Conway spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Jones and had as her guest Miss Mary Betty Bannette of Pine Bluff.

Miss Opal Daniel of Hope was the week-end guest of Miss Hazel Matlock and attended the Archer-Hale wedding on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Hale spent Sunday at Little Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Greer Daniel of Camden attended the Archer-Hale wedding on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie W. Johnson announce the arrival of a daughter, Phoebe, on January 29 at the Cora Donnell hospital.

Notice

The Prescott Musical Coterie Bridge Benefit which was postponed due to weather conditions will

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Where a Zero Means You Are Lucky

By ALTON L. BLAKESLEE
 AP Science Reporter

Boston, Feb. 5—(AP)—9 grade of zero is perfect on a new kind of "fever thermometer" for detecting mental illness.

The zero means you're normal. This "thermometer" is a rating scale in the form of a chart. It indicates by a number how sick a mentally ill person is. It's not unlike a thermometer that tells how high your temperature is above normal.

It's something new and hopeful in the evaluation of mental illness. It tells more accurately whether a person is getting better or worse, and how effective any treatment has been. It may help in learning how important chemical changes in the body may be in causing mental illness.

The chart is called the Worcester rating scale. It was developed and is being used by Dr. William Malamud, professor of psychiatry at Boston University School of Medicine, and DMR, St. Sands, research director of Worcester State Hospital. Dr. Hudson Hoagland and Dr. Gregory Pincus of the Worcester Foundation for experimental biology are doing the studies of body chemistry in mental illness.

Unless you have an obvious mental illness, you would score zero on this scale. You'd get a zero even if you are slightly neurotic, as most people are.

The reason is because the thermometer starts with a zero of what is normal for you. There's no attempt to say what "normal" is for everyone.

For example, some people are normally optimistic in mood. Others are pessimistic. Either attitude is still within normal limits.

A person's normal mood is one of the 22 different items that Dr. Malamud checks on his chart. Others are appearance, sleeping habits, awareness, thought processes, speech, and memory.

Dr. Malamud first learns what the bride and groom had cut the first slice. Mrs. Wm. D. Hale presided at the coffee service. Mrs. Elden Archer of Jonesville, Texas, was in charge of the bride's brook. Assisting in courtesies were Miss Sue Martin, Mrs. Sidney Loomis and Mrs. John Hubbard of Prescott, and Miss Opal Daniel of Hope.

After a wedding trip to points in Texas, the couple will be at home in Denton, Texas, where the groom is a Junior in East Texas State Teachers College.

Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Archer of Dallas, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. David Hale and daughter Janet of Randolph Field, Texas; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Purcell of Little Rock; Mr. Greer Daniel and daughter Judy of Camden, Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Stuart Jr. of Fayetteville; Miss Rebecca Daniel of Searcy; Miss Opal Daniel of Hope; Miss Paula Coffield of Emmet.

The Duke of Wellington, although a national military hero, was forced to resign in great disfavor after serving two years as prime minister.

Each of the 22 items is scored in this way. The total score—whether 40, 76, or 100 or more—is simply a measure of how sick he is.

Another test can be made after drugs, or other methods, to see what it did for him. The chart shows whether he was helped or not, and in what ways.

Mental illness brings subtle chemical changes in the body. They can be found by testing the body fluids, such as the blood. Most are due to changes in the way that the very important gland of the body, the adrenal cortex, is acting.

The chart offers a new way of learning what these changes mean, and whether they may be a cause of some of the symptoms in mental illness. The changes in the illness can be measured more accurately against any changes in the body chemistry.

Elsewhere in Science

New York—A pendant to be worn down the back when a lady has a low-cut gown is on display at the American Museum of Natural History. She wears a silver collar open at the back of her neck. A V-shaped chain down her back holds a crystal, the shape of a lipstick container, but only about half as long. The exhibit shows new ideas in jewelry, all built around natural crystals of little-used minerals. These include beryl, white topaz and various colors of quartz. The crystals appear just as they come from the earth, without cutting. They range from the clearness of water through tints of all shades. These so-called precious jewels are larger than ordinary gems.

Chicago—A new system of remote-controlled television viewing units gets around the neck-craneing problem for television watchers in hotels, restaurants, hospitals and other public places. It consists of one master tuner, and up to 10 remote-controlled viewing units which can be placed in one or more rooms. The tubes in each viewing unit deliver pictures of either 77-square inch or 134-square inch size. The system was designed and engineered by Raytheon-Belmont, and was introduced by Trans-Vue Corp. of Chicago.

New York—Air force and navy pilots are testing a new, easily read altimeter that may help to avoid some kinds of aviation errors. It has a two-digit counter that makes it quicker and easier to read altitude. The counter is like an automobile mileage counter, and makes one revolution per 1,000 feet. At 16,000 foot altitude, the pilot would see the number 16 registered on the counter, while a pointer would indicate the additional 30 feet.

The altimeter is said to mark the first radical change in this basic flight instrument. It was designed and developed by the Square D company's Kollsman instrument division at the suggestion of the U. S. Air Force. Work was started after a study by Dr. Walter F. Grether of the air force medical laboratory showing the types of error likely to occur in reading the usual multiple-pointer altimeter.

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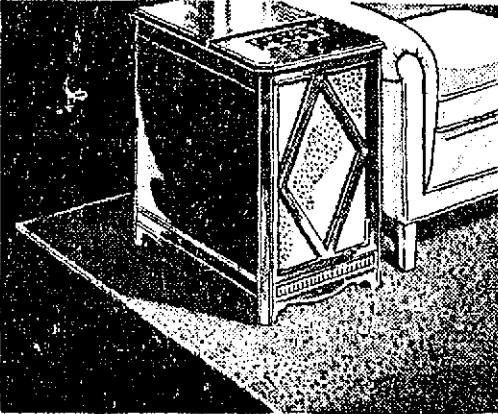


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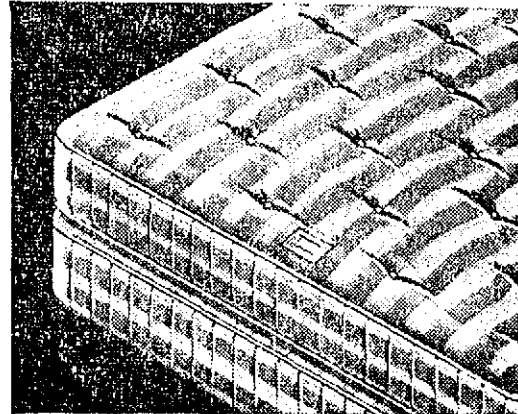


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Enlisted Men Serve on First Court

Fort Bragg, N. C., Feb. 3 —(UP)—Four enlisted men sat on a general court-martial board today in what officials believed was the first time in the United States that a GI was tried by his equals.

Four veteran sergeants and five officers tried and sentenced a 19-year-old recruit for escaping from confinement.

The army's new system of justice, giving enlisted men-on request—the right to be tried by other enlisted men as well as officers, went into effect Tuesday.

The board for today's trial was picked from some 150 officers and enlisted men who attended a judge advocate's school here and qualified to sit on courts-martial.

The enlisted men balancing the scales of the army's new-look justice were M-Sgt. Herbert B. Adams of Worcester, Mass., a veteran of 20 years in service; M-Sgt. Calvin Jones of Portland, Ore., 21 years in the army; M-Sgt. Rufus M. Flanders of Beedington, Va., 21 years in service; and Sgt. 1-C Earl G. Price, Seven Springs, N. C., nine years in the army.

Sitting with five officers, they

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judged the trial of Recruit Rudy F. Johnson, 19, who was charged with escaping from confinement while serving a previous sentence for larceny.

By secret ballot, a two-thirds vote of the board found Johnson guilty. Another ballot sentenced him to six months at hard labor and fined him \$50 a month for six months.

The penalty is subject to higher approval.

**'Hospitality'
Too Much and
Robber Caught**

New York, Feb. 2 —(AP)—An alleged burglar got so engrossed in a bottle of whisky and a television show in a house he had entered that he got caught.

Police said Frank Magalino awoke in his Brooklyn home to find an intruder watching a television show in the front room downstairs. Seeing Magalino, the intruder was quoted as saying:

"I'm leaving as soon as the program's over."

But by that time, police were on the scene. They booked Joseph Matyka, 46, on a burglary charge.

**House to Send
Representative
to Invite Truman**
Little Rock, Feb. 3 —(AP)—The Arkansas house will send Rep. Laud Payne of Clay county to Washington to invite President Truman to address a joint session of the current state legislature.

A resolution authorizing a member of the house to extend a personal invitation to the president was adopted this morning. Payne, a personal friend of Presidential Assistant Les Biffle, was appointed to make the trip.

Payne and Speaker Carl Hendrix conferred with Biffle yesterday by telephone concerning a previous resolution inviting Mr. Truman to

Jet Ace Promoted



Capt. Calvin M. Bolster, 51, of Haverhill, Ohio, Navy pilot in jet aviation, has been approved for promotion to rear admiral by President Truman. Bolster is assistant chief of Naval Research at Youngstown, Ohio. Bolster initiated and directed the jet-assisted-lake-off program during the war. (Navy photo from NEA-Acme.)

address the Arkansas legislature. They said Biffle reported that he believed there was a "fair chance" the president might be favorable to an invitation extended personally.

Biffle is to make arrangements for Payne to see the president. Payne also announced that Biffle, a native of Piggott, Ark., had accepted an invitation to attend a "Les Biffle Day" program which will be held at Piggott next July 4.

Today's resolution authorizes expenses of \$200 for Payne's trip.

CIO to Back Truman's Labor Bill

By MARVIN L. ARROWSMITH
Washington, Feb. 3 —(AP)—The CIO today endorsed the Truman labor bill. Meanwhile there was a furious new debate in congress over whether the measure would enable the government to block critical strikes.

Said CIO General Counsel Arthur Goldberg: "It appears that the bill offers the only practicable method of obtaining speedy Taft-Hartley repeal and re-enactment of the substantive provisions of the Wagner act."

That was in a statement prepared for the senate labor committee. It was the first official endorsement of the bill by a big labor organization. But Goldberg said the CIO would make "some constructive suggestions to clarify certain provisions."

Attorney General Clark touched off the new row over whether the government could obtain court orders to prevent "national emergency" strikes if the Taft-Hartley 80-day injunction provision is justified.

The administration measure would substitute a 30-day cooling off procedure. There is no provision in the bill for court orders any other legal step to enforce presidential requests that workers stay on the job while emergency boards try to settle disputes.

Around the Arkansas Sport Loop

By CARL BELL
Little Rock, Feb. 3 —(AP)—You have to admit Milan Creighton is a very good guy.

If he hasn't tried every kind of occupation, just give him time. Two decades ago "Crate" was earning All-Southwest conference honors playing football at the University of Arkansas.

Today he's a student at the "U" again, now studying law.

After leaving the university the first time with a bachelor of arts degree, Creighton played pro ball and for several years coached the Chicago Cardinals.

Then he got a notion—and a pretty sweet contract—to coach at Hot Springs High school. After a few years making a living that way, he quit to enter private business.

Next he tried his hand at politics, a rather natural thing to do at Hot Springs in recent years. He was elected to the city council, but last summer he lost a race for sheriff.

Now he wants to be a lawyer—with more politics in mind, maybe? He hopes to earn his law degree in 26 months.

Another former Razorback, Wilford Thorpe, is the new director of the Pine Bluff Boys club. Thorpe, who played at Arkansas under Fred Thomsen in the 30's, was as good a running guard as you've seen. He later played for pay with the Cleveland Rams and was a navy physical education director during the war. He did his high school football in Little Rock.

Don't be fooled if you notice Jonesboro high losing some basketball games it's supposed to win. The Hurricane is playing without its high scoring ace, Charley Keller, who was injured when he crashed into the grandstand in a recent game. He's due to be back in the lineup before the state tournament.

Arkansas Razorbacks aren't the only football team in the state switching to the T formation for next year. Hot Springs high is doing the same. Trojan Coach Joe Diddy is deserting the Notre Dame (and Alabama) box to do it.

Up in the nation's capital they think quite highly of John (Bo) Rowland, the former Henderson mentor who now is guiding the football fortunes of George Washington university. A Washington sports columnist recently referred to Bo as "the miracle-working coach who tutored a beat-up, worn-out 15-man football squad to victories over Virginia and Georgetown."

Which reminds us: Both Rowland and Bud Tomlin the former U. of A. mentor have an added reason for cycling the Vanderbilt coaching position now open. Both were passed up when John Burnhill was selected as head coach of the Razorbacks three years ago. Vanderbilt will play Arkansas for the next two seasons, and nothing would please Rowland or Tomlin more than to have a chance to beat Burnhill and his Porkers—except actually doing the beating.

**Former Coach
Seeking
Back Pay**

Chicago, Feb. 2 —(UP)—Dick Hanley, former coach of the Chicago Rockets, said today that he has sued the Chicago All-America Football Club, Inc., for \$38,750 in back pay.

Hanley who coached the Rockets in 1949 when the team was owned by Chicago trucking magnate John L. Keeshin, said in his superior court suit that he signed a three-year contract for a \$15,000 a year, plus 10 per cent of the club's earnings.

He charged that he signed the contract in April, 1945, but was dismissed in September of the same year without receiving his September salary or pay for the period he had left to serve. The suit charged that he was "wrongfully and without just cause discharged."

The Chicago AAC team was bought recently by James C. Thompson and two associates, and was renamed the Hornets yesterday.

The tasks of the walrus, which sometimes are 30 inches long, are used in defense, in digging and in climbing.

Mediator Would Keep Status

Washington, Feb. 1 —(AP)—Cyrus S. Ching, head of the federal mediation and conciliation service, told congress today it would be a "step backwards" if his new independent agency is put under the labor department. He said the service's reputation for impartiality would suffer.

Ching testified before the senate labor committee in opposition to a section of the administration's new labor bill which would shift the service to the labor department.

"It is with real regret that I find that candor and devotion to the public interest require that I say to you that such action will seriously damage the effectiveness of government mediation," Ching said.

"It would be a step backwards in the terribly important job of strengthening our industrial democracy by promoting sound practices and usages of collective bargaining and minimizing and preventing labor disputes."

Ching's words meant open controversy between two of the administration's top labor men over the point. Secretary of Labor Tobin yesterday asked that the service be kept under his department.

Tobin also said that the bill, as presented to the committee, had that implied that Mr. Truman

Freddie Again Holdout on Tigers

Detroit, Feb. 2 —(UP)—The Detroit Tigers had an important holdout on their hands today in pitcher Freddie Hutchinson, who won 13 games last season and received a \$50,000 salary for 1949.

The 29-year-old Hutchinson, considered the Bengals' number one right-hander, returned his contract unsigned yesterday after Detroit General Manager Billy Evans offered him the same pact he worked under last season.

Hutchinson, who made his debut with the Tigers in 1939 after Detroit paid Seattle of the Pacific Coast League approximately \$50,000 for his services, was the leading Bengal pitcher in 1947 when he won 18 games and dropped 10. During 1948, the 6 foot 2 inch hurler won 13 and lost 11.

Evans, however, announced that four other Tiger players had signed 1949 contracts. They were Shortstop Eddie Lake and Outfielder Jimmy Outlaw and Rookies Bob Maivis and Johnny Creel, neither of whom have been up with Detroit before.

Henry Thompson, a 23-year-old outfielder from the Cuban league, became the third Negro player signed by the New York Giants. Thompson, who played briefly with the St. Louis Browns in 1947, will be assigned to New York's Jersey City farm club. Still active in the approval of President Truman.

That implied that Mr. Truman backed placing the conciliation service under Tobin.

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four counties—a move which the sponsors said was designed to kill the measure. The senate adopted the amendment yesterday afternoon, but later reconsidered and called it back. Thus the question was unsettled.

The senate also passed bills to: Appropriate \$60,000 for the special highway bond election, Feb. 15. Pay county election commissioners \$4 per day.

Transfer supervision of school elections from school boards to county election commissioners.

Pay bounties of up to \$15 for killing of wolves.

Place credit insurance companies under supervision of the state insurance department.

Sen. Ellis Fagan of Little Rock asked for a state capitol grounds commission and appropriation of \$250,000 for purchase of land north and west of the capitol so the grounds may be expanded.

**Fulbright Asked
to Explain U. S.
Foreign Policy**
Little Rock, Feb. 1 —(AP)—U. S. Sen. J. W. Fulbright today was invited to explain this nation's foreign policy at a joint session of the Arkansas legislature.

A concurrent resolution, introduced by Sen. John W. Cioer of Cuban circuit, Thompson has a batting average of .338 with the Havana Reds.

KILLED IN ACCIDENT

Marion, Feb. 2 —(AP)—L. C. Chinn, 27, of Memphis, was fatally injured here last night in a traffic accident. He died in a hospital. The car in which he was riding was in collision with a truck.

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Smoked Slab Bacon lb. 51c

Dry Salt Bacon lb. 29c

Sunnyfield Sliced Bacon lb. 65c

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Red Delicious Apples lb. 17c

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U. S. No. 1 Red Potatoes 10 lbs. 55c

Tomatoes 8 lb bag 55c

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Yams 2 lbs. 23c

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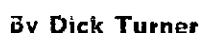
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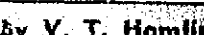
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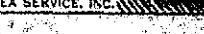
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Hempstead Convict Recommended for Parole

Little Rock, Feb. 3 —(P)—The state parole board has granted 25 paroles and recommended two full pardons, two commutations of sentences and two pardons.

Parolees, by county, date of sentence, crime and term respectively include:

Roosevelt Boyd, Jefferson, Sept. 18, 1946, robbery five years.

Robert Clark, Hempstead, June 4, 1948, grand larceny two years.

Paul Chrusal, Miller, Dec. 8, 1947, burglary, three years.

Obie Denton, Union, May 31, 1948, forgery and uttering, two years.

Alfred Hamilton Phillips, May 8, 1923, first degree murder, 30 years.

Pat Malone, Sebastian, June 21, 1947, false pretense, two years.

Joe Hindman, Sebastian, June 30, 1947, forgery and uttering, three years.

George A. Newsum, Union, June 5, 1948, burglary and grand larceny, two years.

Clyde Stagle, Craighead, Dec. 4, 1947, robbery, three years.

John E. Sullivan, Phillips, Nov. 5, 1947, grand larceny three years.

Viola Webster, Phillips, May 1948, uttering, two and one half years.

Joe Williams, Phillips, May 7, 1948, grand larceny, two years.

The stars in star sapphires and rubies are produced by light reflected on unrelated minerals embedded in the gems.

Stalin's Second Peace Talk Bid Rejected — Only Action Will Convince the U. S.

By DeWITT MacKENZIE
AP Foreign Affairs Analyst

Premier Stalin's second unofficial bid for a "peace" talk with President Truman (in Communist territory has met sharp rejection.

However, the maneuver has evoked a declaration of American policy which should clear the air. And that is all to the good.

The Stalin overtures, both made in the form of answers to questions by an American newsmen, set tongues racing around the globe. That was a natural reaction in a world which is sick of strife.

When the generalissimo makes a statement it receives universal attention. He is one of the most powerful leaders of history. He is the dictator who speaks with final authority not only for the Soviet Union but for the whole Red block of satellites.

So the general publics of non-Communist countries were anxious to learn what Stalin had in mind. The immediate reaction in Western capitals and among close observers was that the generalissimo was engaged in a propaganda game. As this column has previously pointed out, they figured he was making a peace offensive to lull the western world into a feeling of security and so soften the increasingly effective drive against the Reds.

In short it looked as though the Bolshevik chief was decidedly worried. This idea was strengthened when Stalin came through with his second unofficial bid.

It is an interesting sidelight that the premier specified Russia, Poland or Czechoslovakia as the meeting place. He did this on the ground that his doctors would permit him to travel so far afield as Washington.

The second bid has brought a double-barreled reaction in Washington. One is from the White House and the other is from America's new secretary of state, Dean Acheson. Both were clear cut and concise.

President Truman is willing to see Stalin in Washington, but has no intention of going abroad for a meeting. That's that.

Acheson in a press conference declared in substance that Stalin had raised no real issue for Soviet-American settlement. Said he: "You will notice that the purpose of the meeting has to do with arrangements x x x for issuing a declaration which is already the subject of solemn treaty commitments."

The secretary further laid down this edict: The United States won't discuss with Russia or any other country alone any issues which involve other nations as well. He added that the president isn't in-

terested in meeting Stalin for the purpose of issuing a declaration of "peace" because the U.S.A. already is pledged to peace in the United Nations charter.

Acheson also pointed to Stalin's statement that Russia "naturally" would cooperate with America in reducing arms, and said this had been a U. N. problem for three years. A solution of this and of the control of atomic energy has been frustrated by the Russian veto.

This sum and substance of all this is that America isn't compromising with bolshevism. We are not going to appease Bolshevism. Indeed, quite apart from this current exchange, it is quite apparent that the Western nations are determined to fight Communist aggression to the bitter end.

There are many people who will regret keenly that the "peace" offer haven't panned out. However, there will be general relief that we haven't had a Trojan horse palmed off on us — and Trojan horse it most certainly was.

6 More Weeks of Winter Assured

By The Associated Press

The groundhog, fabled weather prophet of American history, excused himself briefly today (Wednesday) then disappeared into his burrow.

In the American tradition — but without any scientific basis — the groundhog's action means: Six more weeks of winter.

Observed in Pottsville, Pa., at 7:22 a. m. (EST) the groundhog peeked out into the 20 degree cold, then ducked back into his early home.

Legend says if the groundhog sees his shadow Feb. 2 it means six additional weeks of winter.

The truth of the legend was awaited with apprehension in the west. A new storm moved into the California mountains, but it was not immediately known if it would move down into the usually warm lowlands.

The Nevada range country was threatened with another storm of blizzard proportion. The snow was reported moving eastward across the state and would be followed by abnormal cold and winds.

Planes used to drop fodder to snow-stranded livestock in Nevada suspended operations after Tuesday's flights.

This was the weather picture Wednesday:

The U. S. Weather Bureau said generally cold and sub-normal temperatures prevailed over all of the country except southern Florida. There were only a few wet spots on the nation's weather map.

The northern plains and most areas in the north central region had severe cold. Temperatures dipped to near 30 below zero in parts of Minnesota and North Dakota—the coldest areas in the frigid belt. There were sub-zero readings in parts of Wyoming, Montana, Nebraska, Iowa, Wisconsin and northwestern Illinois. The mass of cold air moved eastward into the eastern Ohio valley.

There was a little warming up in the south after a few days of extremely low temperatures. But the mercury was below freezing in some parts of Tennessee, Kentucky and Arkansas.

There was light snow in southern and western Nebraska, northwestern Kansas, Michigan, northern Montana and parts of Nevada. Light rain fell in southern Texas. Miami's 83 was the nation's top mark yesterday.

Senate Passes Insurance Measure

By DEANE ALLEN

Little Rock, Feb. 2 —(P)—A two-year legislative fight to set up qualifications for fire, casualty and surety insurance agents came to an end in the Arkansas Senate today.

The upper chamber approved 24-7 a bill prescribing requirements to be met by such agents and providing for their licensing by the state commissioner of Insurance.

Similar legislation was rejected by the general assembly in 1947. The bill passed the house last week and now goes to the governor for his signature or veto.

Under its provisions, any person desiring to enter the fire, casualty or surety insurance business in the future first would have to apply to the commissioner for a license. He would be required to show that he was a resident of Arkansas, had experience or training in the particular insurance field he desired to enter, and planned to engage in the business actively. A \$10 fee would be required at the time the application was filed.

Sens. Jerry Scretton of Hazen and W. H. Abington of Beebe opposed the general principle of regulation of business.

Sens. Pat Garner of Fort Smith and Lawrence Blackwell of Pine Bluff argued that the only objective of the bill was to provide a greater protection for insurance purchasers.

Earlier the senate passed on a voice vote Sen. Ernest Moore's resolution providing commendations for state department heads who effect economies in operation. The resolution, which now goes to the house, calls for a seven-member board to meet periodically, examine operations of various state departments, and issue such citations.

Opposing this move, Abington said "the proper place to effect economies is right here in the senate."

He said the department heads are "going to spend all the money we give them, and we'll save a lot more by trimming appropriation bills here than we will be communitizing department heads later on."

FIRE DESTROYS SCHOOL
Pocahontas, Feb. 2 —(P)—The one-story brick Maynard consolidated school was destroyed by fire here late yesterday. No injuries were reported.

Origin was not determined. Approximately 500 pupils were enrolled.

Operation of Airports Approved

Little Rock, Feb. 2 —(P)—Operation of municipal airports by five-man commissions was approved by the Arkansas house today.

A bill by Sen. Ellis Fagan of Little Rock, authorizing such airport commissions for cities of the first class, was passed 70-6 by the house and sent to the governor.

The measure was designed specifically for Little Rock, but Reps.

L. H. Autry of Mississippi county declared "this is not just a Little Rock bill."

Under the proposal a city of the first class owning and operating an airport may appoint a five-man commission with authority to operate the airport and make improvements, repairs or extension either with airport revenues or with proceeds of bond issues.

The proposal did not carry an emergency clause and thus, if signed by the governor, will not become effective until 90 days after adjournment of the legislature.

The house passed a bill by Rep. Clifton Wade to permit Washington county to accept a deed from the federal government to land for a county hospital site. Although

drawn specifically for Washington county, Wade said the bill also would permit any other county to accept donations of land from the federal government in which the government reserved certain mineral rights.

The agriculture subcommittee of the 81st congress was requested by the Arkansas house to ignore the 1949 cotton acreage in recommending future cotton acreage allocations. A concurrent resolution making the request was passed by the house and sent to the senate.

The resolution was introduced by Rep. Faxon Fraley of Poinsett, who said that indicated heavy planting of cotton this year would not be representative and should not be used in computing acreage allocations.

To Discuss Red Progress in the Orient

Tokyo, Feb. 3 —(P)—Army Secretary Kenneth Royall said yesterday he will discuss with General MacArthur military gains of the Communists in the Orient.

The U. S. cabinet officer emphasized, however, "that is not the purpose of my visit."

He said he wanted to learn military problems from the commanders in the Pacific field. His itinerary calls for visits to Okinawa, Hawaii, Korea, Guam and possibly the Philippines. He plans to skip China, he said.



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PORK & BEANS 2 16 oz. Cans	23c	
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SWISS CHEESE lb.	65c	
Big Eve, Mellow, Tasty.		
Long Horn Cheese lb.	49c	
Finest Wisconsin. Delicious.		
HOOP CHEESE lb.	43c	
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ONIONS Yellow	5 lbs.	23c
CABBAGE Fresh Heads	lb.	3 1/2c
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PORK ROAST lb.	45c	
7 inch loin or rib end.		
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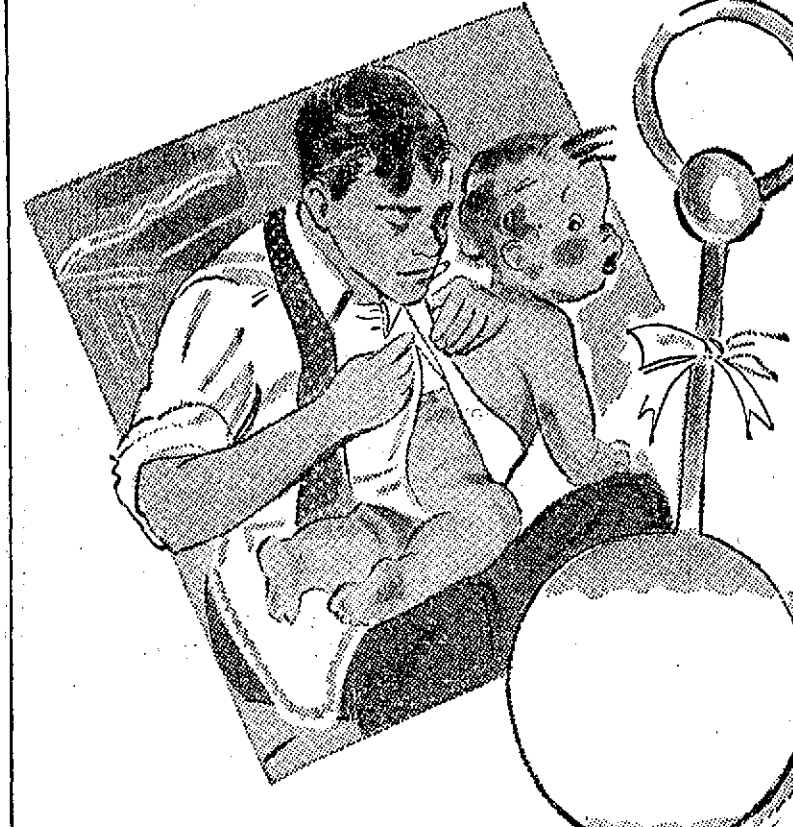
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